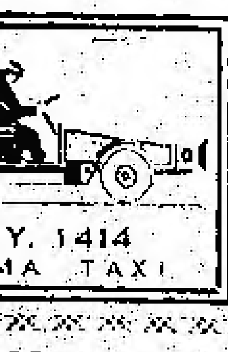

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isei Grads Awarded Degrees

llegians Hurdle Exams Successfully

ree Niseis found the reward for years of hard study 24th Annual Spring Congregation of the University . Thursday, May 11, when amid the colorful yet dig- graduation exercises, 365 students were awarded their

i Yatabe, B.A. Sc., son of Mrs. G. Yatabe, 2818 Yew received his Master of Applied Science degree in al engineering, majoring in chemistry and physics. ginal research work was entitled, "The Density and tion points of N-Tetracosane."

ving Bachelor of Arts de- were Miss Eiko Henmi oria, graduating in Eng- d Shaw Mizuhara, who cond class honours in ry.

ngs of undergraduates ac to examination results follows:

ULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Year: Yoshiko Y. Mo- am T. Ozaki, Frederick I. p.w.s.) Wesley Fujiwara, Hidaka.

erce: Kazuhiko Oyama; Henry Ide.

d Year: Kay Kato, Satoru be, Hiroshi Akaye, Tetsuo iroshi Kawaguchi, Harry Kazuma Uyeno, George akahara, Hiroshi Takeda, Sanmiya; (p.w.s.) Fuji- amada, Setsu Yamaoka; Tanabe (all subjects writ-

Year: Frederick Y. Sasaki, Takimoto, Kiichi Noguchi, Nose, Kathleen S. Shimo- a. D. Fumiaki Shiozaki, Tabata, Koichi Tsujimura, anda, George Nishioka, Obokata, Roy Shinobu; ted 1st year) George Yam- (p.w.s.) Shigekazu Okuno; in certain subjects) Hasegawa, Yoshio Hyodo.

ULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE

e L. Saito, (4th year Elec- ngineering); Kenji Kita- p.w.s. 4th year Mining); Nikaido, Eichi Shinobu, rd Year); Hajime Kaget- Year); Saburo Takaha- .s. 2nd Year).

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FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

Yukio Tamura, (2nd Year), Arthur G. Sakamoto, (1st Year).

NURSING AND HEALTH

Yasuko Yamazaki (One Year Certificate Course).

13 Bellboys Discharged From Hotel Vancouver

The services of the thirteen Japanese bell-boys employed at the Hotel Vancouver will be dispensed with when the Hotel is transferred to its new quarters in the Canadian National building on May 25.

With the sole exception of these men, the entire staff including all Chinese employees will move to the new hotel, and it is expected that the staff will be increased from 350 to 550.

YEARS OF SERVICE

Here is the list of Japanese bell-boys employed in the Hotel Vancouver together with the number in their families and the period of their services. The average age of these bell-boys at the time of their first arrival in Vancouver is just under fourteen.

H. Kitagawa, wife, two children, 25 years service.

J. Kitamura, wife and three children, 17 years service.

S. Kitamura, wife and three children, 20 years service.

K. Natsuhara, wife and four children, 20 years service.

J. Otsuka, wife and eight children, 17 years service.

I. Miyashita, wife and five children, 18 years service.

N. Matoba, Canadian-born, wife and four children, 14 years service.

Y. Yamashita, wife and four children, 17 years service.

S. Muraki, wife and four children, 19 years service.

M. Yoshioka, wife and two children, 19 years service.

G. Yoshioka, Canadian-born, single, 2 years service.

S. Yoshioka, wife and four children, 13 years service.

K. Suyama, wife and two children, 23 years service.

Confab Agenda Announced

Seattle J.A.C.L. Prexy Featured Speaker

Victoria.—With the announcement of the official agenda and delegates expected from a dozen Island and Mainland points, the committees in charge of the Third Annual Island Nisei Conference have swung into final preparations for the two days of conference activity, May 27-28. The Victoria J.C.C.L. chapter sponsoring this year's conference, also announced its programme in commemoration of the Royal Visit.

Winners for the Poster Contest sponsored by the J.C.C.L. convention committee are announced as follows: Senior Division, 1st prize, Mrs. T. Uyeda, Sooke Lake: Junior Division, 1st prize, Hideyuki Ioi, Victoria.

The posters will be sent to various Island centres to publicize the forthcoming conference.

Committees

The conference this year will be opened by registration and a welcome social, Saturday evening, May 27. The following Sunday, delegates will divide into two committees to study Nisei problems. Committee A, under the chairmanship of Kaname Izumi, Chemainus J. C. C. L. president, will consider problems of "Present Day Political and Economic Unrest".

Committee B, under the chairmanship of Dan Tani, Port Alberni J. C. C. A. secretary, will discuss problems of "Social Education".

Each committee will meet for two sessions, reconvening in general session Sunday afternoon, to hear reports and to draft resolutions. Feature speaker of the sessions will be Takeo Nogaki, president of the Seattle Japanese American Citizens League, who will address the assembly on the topic "A System of Organization".

Soprano Wins Championship At Festival

Singing the lovely aria "Depuis Le Jour" from the opera "Louise", Lily Washimoto, noted Nisei lyric soprano, climaxed a series of brilliant performances by winning the Jackson Hanby Silver Cup for competition in the Gold Medallist Championship class at the final session of the B. C. Musical Festival, May 3, in the Empress Theatre.

Adjudicator George Dodds, eminent British vocal teacher, in awarding Miss Washimoto first place with a score of 90 marks, stated that he had given only three such marks throughout his Canadian tour.

As a pianist Miss Washimoto distinguished herself in the Lieder class.

On the final night little Emiko Mori, winner in the pianoforte class under 10 years, won the hearts of the huge audience by her artistic rendition of the test pieces.

Farmers Hear Crop Experts

erimental Farm Established in Surrey

king a very important step toward the improvement strawberry industry of the Fraser Valey by the appli- of scientific technique, the South Fraser Japanese s' Union will establish an experimental farm in Surrey owned by A. Nishiguchi.

venture is being assisted e large fertilizer firms, Industries Ltd., Brack- r, and Buckerfield's, who ride different types of fer- o test their their effect nt growth.

Meet

sixty farmers from Sur- rawberry Hill, Sullivan, Prairie and other points at Mr. Nishiguchi's farm talks by Ernest Clarke r of the Provincial De- t of Agriculture, and Dr. Harr's from the Univer- B. C. Faculty of Agricul-

Mr. Clarke discussed at length different soil conditions and the various technical methods of farming that had to be applied to different areas.

Following his talk, the meeting adjourned to the fields, where Mr. Clarke demonstrated such methods, and answered questions put to him by the farmers.

Also present at the meeting were H. Platt and W. J. Coell, Dominion Fruit Inspectors, and representatives of the fertilizer

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NEW CANADIAN SPECIAL ISSUE

Commemorating the visit of Their Majesties the King and Queen, The New Canadian will issue a special sixteen-page issue on May 22.

Taking as its theme, "Fifty Years of Canadianization," the special issue will be devoted to tracing the history of Japanese immigrants and the growth of their children in Canada. A large number of Nisei organizations will be described, with emphasis laid upon the service that these organizations are rendering toward the Nisei in Canada.

FLASH!

Lily Washimoto, talented soprano, has been given the distinct honour of appearing as guest soloist for the initial concert of the Vancouver Junior Symphony, May 20, at the Forum.

Dynamite Booms J.C.C.L. Treasury

Snag Removal Rewarded By Fishermen

Members of the Sunbury-East Richmond J.C.C.L. are an enterprising self-reliant bunch who refuse to be downhearted, just because their treasury is not only flatter than the proverbial flat tire, but even in arrears.

They simply called a meeting some weeks ago to iron out this difficult and dangerous situation, and members worked their brains overtime. Overtime-brainwork results—a one hundred per cent increase in dues for all members holding jobs.

But the treasurer's reply was short and sour, "Not enough."

Then a brain-wave swept over some of the members. And the Chapter was off to write a new and inspiring chapter in the history of its financing.

Under the supervision of expert Tom Oikawa, and armed cable, and a blasting permit with a few cases of dynamite, from the Fisheries Department, all the lads were off to the fishing grounds.

When their houses started to shake some of the residents thought that an earthquake had visited the peaceful Lower Fraser Valley area. But all it was was Tommy Oikawa setting off a 45 or 90 stick charge of dynamite, as cool as any sockeye resting at the bottom of the river.

After several days work, the boys had cleared five of the snags in the river which had been continually catching nets and causing all the fishermen considerable trouble and expense.

A distance of fifteen miles from New Westminster to Woodwards Slough will be made into the perfect heaven for gillnet fishermen.

The result of the tidal brainwave earned the J.C.C.L. Chapter thanks from several hundred fishermen, who were please d to express the same with liberal donations.

Now the treasurer wears a huge smile as he beams over his balanced budget, and not even a 150-stick charge could jar the financial position of the Sunbary-East Richmond J.C.C.L.

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"Public Pressure!"

No more unreasoning, unjust and unexcusable act of the entire history of the Japanese in British Columbia than racial discrimination has ever been perpetrated throughout the dismissal from service of thirteen bell-boys from the Hotel Vancouver.

Thirteen men with fifty-five dependents have suddenly and for no evident reason been deprived of their means of livelihood.

Twelve of these men have spent the prime of their lives in the service of the Hotel, winning an enviable reputation from all guests for unfailing courtesy and efficient service. They have worked in the Hotel for an average period of over eighteen years each, and now they are thrown out totally unprepared for work other than that in which they have grown old.

Guests at the Hotel have signified both by word and by deed that they are wholly opposed to the dismissal of the men; and the local management has expressed its regret that "public pressure" necessitates this action. Yet, since the Japanese alone have been singled out to bear this crushing blow, clearly it is not pressure arising simply because of anti-Asiatic prejudice.

Here, then, is striking evidence of the manner in which an organized campaign of hate against a foreign nation may be formented to such a pitch that that hate is directed against innocent people residing in Canada, people who are in no way responsible for developments of an international nature.

Here in Vancouver to-day are the consequences of such a campaign of hate, a flagrant violation of every principle of justice and humanity—the all too tragic indictment of that campaign.

"After Graduation, What?"

Although the list of new graduates from the University of British Columbia is the smallest in years, it is reassuring to observe that the number of students in attendance at the University still continues to rise.

Statistical calculation has shown that the proportion of Niseis attending the local University is practically as high as the proportion for all young people of university age in the province. Young and Reid in their book, "The Japanese Canadians" describe this situation as "a remarkable achievement considering the economic position of their parents."

It is well known that wherever the Japanese have settled they have striven to give their utmost for the future of their children.

Thus in 1925 the United States Race Relations committee reported that the "Japanese are very eager to give their children an education—if possible to send them to college."

But in these times of stress, when the economic future of the second generation appears so black, many people are too prone to doubt the value of a university training.

Yet there can be no question as to the cultural benefits of higher education. Not only that but benefits which may be termed psychological are reaped. Constructive attitudes of mind, habits of rational thought, self-reliance and individuality, all these and more are developed through the medium of higher education. And the same training provides a potent force to break down that fixation known as an inferiority complex, the bane of all too many Niseis.

What is most regrettable in the present situation is the fact that so many of these young people, through force of circumstances, are unable to remain in the country that provided them with training; but go to Japan in the belief that a brighter future awaits them there.

This is a problem that both Occidental Canadians and Niseis must face, for there is an evident need for trained young people with the benefit of education and the optimistic idealism of youth to lead the fight for the second generation, a fight that in the final analysis is but part of the greater problem of social reconstruction in Canada.

TO OUR READERS

The staff of The New Canadian apologises to subscribers and advertisers for the delay in this issue of the paper caused by operating difficulties with the press machinery.

For this same reason it is expected that the publication of the special issue in commemoration of the King's Visit will be slightly delayed.

EXCHANGE

Back from a trip through the Nisei press of our American cousins, your columnist offers subject to your approval, a few interesting glimpses gleaned from here and there.

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Pulitzer Prize

From Tacoma comes this success story of a Nisei journalist. The Lincoln High School crack publication, the Lincoln News, was awarded the All American Pacemaker, the highest honour awarded by the National Scholastic Press Association in its annual contest.

Editor of the paper is Nisei Mayme Semba, the first Nisei in the city's history to become editor of a school paper.

Come on local talent. Why not get into the swim, too, and perhaps you'll find a job on The New Canadian of the future as Exchange Editor.

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Civil Service Success

Here's a real "local boy makes good" story, in the case of Frank Y. Kinomoto of Seattle.

Local public accountant for some time, he has been appointed Deputy Auditor of the State Tax Commission at Olympia. He will work in the excise tax division.

Surely it isn't too much to hope that within a few years, some of the B. C. Niseis will manage to break into the Government Civil Service.

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Operatic Aria

Nisei girls seem to be capping all the honours in the musical field, but the boys are scarcely holding their end up.

The Los Angeles Rafu Shimpo is unsparing in its praise of Tomiko Kanazawa for her success as the leading character in a presentation of the opera "Magic Flute" . . . "She has a delicacy and charm about her singing which proved in excellent contrast to other voices . . . an understanding performance."

In Seattle, May 8, Kazuko Tajitsu, violinist, who had the distinction of having performed with the Tokyo Philharmonic Orchestra while touring Japan, was heard in a very successful recital at the Century Theatre.

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Samurai Chivalry

It's long been a tradition for the Isseis to be quite unmoved by any reference to the feminine element and it's long been understood that it is left to the Niseis to do all the courting.

But the visit of the Takarazuka girls brought an end to this grand illusion. The visiting girls have been literally swamped with kind offers from the supposedly bashful Isseis to act as escorts around the city.

So pestered have the blushing young maidens been that a rule has been laid down that the girls must be in groups of five, before being able to accept the kind requests.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Language Schools

(Editor, New Canadian)

Dear Sir: I wish to make a few criticisms regarding your editorial of April 1, on "Language Schools."

It stated: "But for one to expect employment because of a diploma from the Japanese school is fallacious." Quite true. But your statement needs a little more clarification. As you have stated, only a few Niseis have been employed in positions requiring a knowledge of both English and Japanese. But have many Niseis found employment in Canadian firms where the only requirement is an adequate knowledge of English and that trade? Definitely no. Most Niseis have been employed in Japanese firms where Japanese is more essential than English. Surely under these conditions, a Nisei with a fair knowledge of both English and Japanese will have a better opportunity of finding employment than a Nisei with a fair knowledge of English only. The Niseis, therefore, learn the language in order to have a better opportunity of finding employment.

Further down the column, there was this statement—"The talk of Niseis becoming bridges between Japan and Canada is an empty hope, a fond delusion unless some means can be established whereby the Niseis can acquire the cultural background and knowledge of the country of their forbears." Quite so. But, "one solution," it continued, "lies in the creation of a specialized academy, open only to the gifted, regardless of race, and . . ." I could hardly refrain from laughing at the phrases, "gifted, regardless of race." How can one determine who is gifted and who is not? Surely one can rightfully say that hardly any human is born with "gifted" talent.

However, this solution might work if the fellow-Canadians of other races understood the Japanese language. But even so, can he recognize and comprehend the real soul of Japan and of the Japanese people, the Japanese way of looking at things; all of which is absolutely necessary to acquire the cultural background and knowledge of Japan? Definitely not. But Niseis who have a strong racial tie with Japan, can! The acquisition of the cultural and artistic background of Japan would come hand in hand with the understanding of the true soul of Japan by learning the Japanese language.

Therefore, let us not say that "the talk of Niseis becoming bridges between Japan and Canada is an empty hope, unless . . ." but rather that it is a latent hope.

S. Okuno.

"DE GUSTIBUS"

By "N.M.T."

This is the third in the series of "De Gustibus." True you did not see the previous two. They lie rejected, trampled on the floor of The New Canadian. Under the merciless size nine lie the products of our toil and cogitation. But because we did not take no for an answer, and because of the flurry due to the special issue we hereby do proudly present this triumph of slipping by the editors. Read not with critical eye nor sneering leer—"Tread softly for you tread on my dreams."

ON BATHS

Only steam, no flame,
Clouding the mirror glass,
Yet this will go onward the same
Tho' Dynasties pass!

—With apologies to Hardy.

There is one custom which no matter how much we may become Westernized, we hope shall not be lost, the Japanese bath or ofuro—a democratic institution of the first order.

Wearied by the "madding crowds ignoble strife," we need relaxation, mental and physical, and so we seek the "ofuro." Here in the thawing atmosphere, man's social vestments drop, the cloak of reticence falls; here the begrimed find purity, the weary find rest, the meek find voice; here the radicals expound, the ignorant are enlightened . . . a Japanese Hyde Park; but much superior, for the audience, perforce cannot hasten away so quickly.

To devotees of the "ofuro", the ablution gains a Roman aspect, amounting to a religious ritual and well it may. For they seek the delicious thigling of the scalding hot water, the sigh of contentment as the muscles are relaxed, the melting away of mundane trifles and cares; blissfully they recline, as on "beds of Asphodel," princely potentates in their private bath. Then, lobster pink, they rise, exuding rest and contentment, and dry themselves leisurely, yet minutely.

We are of the last kind. Immersed in the balm of warm waters we are transported to Elysian fields. Here things are Japanese—the towels, the wooden taru, the tatami flooring of the dressing chamber. But we loll and dawdle in the Roman manner cooling off around the magazine littered table, steeped in the opiate of steam.

Verily we are the "Knights of the Bath."

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Other business dealt wi[...] cluded:

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3. The construction of a [...] C.L. Hall and Gymnasium, [...] a structure to fill the much [...] lack of facilities for a com[...] ity, physical recreation [...] sports centre in the Japa[...] community.

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5. Co-operation with the J[...] L. in welcoming Their Maje[...]

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zens' League Movement Supported By Buddhist League

Leaders Urge Active Co-operation

For the purpose of discussing closer co-operation be- n the Young Men's Buddhist Associations and the Jap- Canadian Citizens League, seven delegates from the three Y.M.B.A. groups and Edward Ouchi, general ary of the J.C.C.L., met Saturday evening, May 13, e Fairview Buddhist Church.

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STAR BALLPLAYER

ROY YAMAMURA

Hompa Bazaar, May 24

Hear ye, hear ye! The grand annual Hompa bazaar with all its bright trimmings will take place May 24 at the Hompa Hall under the sponsorship of the Young Women's Buddhist Association.

President of the Y.W.B.A., **Yaeko Tomoda**, announces that, as a result of months of hard work and careful planning, the affair will be bigger and better than before. Refreshments galore—shiruko, hot dogs, candies and fruits—to satisfy the most fastidious epicure will be served for a trifling sum.

So come one, come all!

The event once more, the Hompa Bazaar, the place, Hompa Hall, and the date, May 24.

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"So successful has this meeting been, that possibly we shall hold them regularly, about twice every year. In that way, we can set higher standards in the industry."

Baseball Diamond Personality

Nisei Sketch No. 9

There are quite a few Niseis who have climbed the rungs success in various trades and businesses. On the other hand, there are those who, although they have not achieved any particular success along economic lines, have earned recognition for themselves.

One person from the ranks of the latter group, a character known alike to hundreds of Canadians and Americans, a name that conjures up in the minds of its hearers and readers one of the most magnetic of Nisei personalities, — that person is Roy

Meet him on the street, and he will wave a cheery greeting to you. Fame has not lessened his affability.

Youngsters look up to him with a sort of awe as if they were in the presence of some demi-god. His exploits as a ball-player has not diminished with the passing of time. Quite to the contrary, they have assumed legendary proportions.

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When one speaks of Roy Yamamura, one invariably thinks of the Asahi baseball club, especially the super-squad of the twenties that captured all honours in the Terminal League.

"That was a team," reminisces Roy himself.

"I had been playing the game ever since I was a mere kid. First it was a tennis ball, an old bat and a neighborhood sandlot for the playing field. Then I was on a boy's

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team in a Sunday School league. Hardly had I got into my 'teens than I was playing for the Yamatos. One of the greatest moments of my life came when I had just turned sixteen. Harry Miyazaki, then manager of the Asahis, asked me whether I would like to play on his team. "Gee" was about the only thing I could utter.

"And that memorable day when I turned out for my first practise. There I was out on the field with all the 'greats' of the Asahis . . . . Matoba with that deadly bludgeon of

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his; Eddie Kitagawa making those 'impossible' catches in centre field; 'Chuck' Tanaka doing the Hank Greenberg at first base. I felt shy but all the old-timers gave me a man-to-man welcome. I simply had to do my best after that."

* * *

From that year he has been the cynosure of Japanese and Canadian fans alike. He has won the admiration of every spectator through his spectacular and sportsmanlike playing and his likeable personality.

Roy gained many Canadian admirers when he played for the Arrow Transfer team at the city's Athletic Park, the first time such an honour has been paid to any Nisei. A sell-out featured the evening he made his debut. Their curiosity piqued, many spectators had turned out to see a "Jap" play.

Before long the agile shortstop who made miraculous plays, too many to count, won the unstinted admiration of the crowds and all the players.

That same year he was engaged by the Fraser Cafe team to take part in the B. C. Championship series. Roy still has the medal given to each member of the winning nine.

Seattle people still remember his exploits of the season when "Reggie" Yasui, the incomparable Asahi catcher, and he, were invited to play every week-end for the Seattle Nippons.

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His many other feats include the almost unbelievable record of over fifty stolen bases for one season. . . . A record all the more remarkable in that it totalled more than the number

ROBBER

compiled by the rest of the team! Among his prize medals is the one he was awarded in 1295 as best base-stealer. In all, seven or eight medals point to his extraordinary ability in batting, fielding and team-work.

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The dazzling speed and the uncanny ability of the Roy Yamamura of ten years ago are still to be seen. Modest, he has assigned the position of shortstop to a younger man while he, himself, has taken the less spectacular second base.

In addition, he has consented to take over the responsibilities of the club's managership. The Sunday Baseball League, too, has been fortunate in acquiring his services for the loop's presidency.

* * *

Although baseball is his first love, he has participated in basketball, dancing, golf, skiing and rugby. In fact, while in high school he was selected for the second all-star senior English rugby team as wing three-quarter.

* * *

Great a player as Roy has been, ~~his influence has~~ been of a still greater order. ~~His untiring~~, undefeatigable energy, his courage and unflagging cheerfulness has rallied his

SPORTSMAN

team mates time and again. And when it comes to losing, Roy takes it in his stride like a true sportsman. It is this character, this cheerful and friendly disposition that has proved of incalculable asset to him as an insurance agent.

Now in his early thirties, Roy is the same modest fellow he was when he broke into the ranks of the Asahi team. Fame and achievement have but served to broaden out his attractive personality. Today he remains one of the most popular of Niseis.

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Youth Congress Plans Advance

Taking for its keynote, "For a United Canada," the Fourth Annual Canadian Youth Congress will meet in Winnipeg, June 30-July 4, with youth representatives from points as widely separated as Victoria, B. C., and Halifax, N.S.

Agenda

The agenda of the Congress issued by the National Committee with headquarters in Toronto, outlines five separate commissions on the following topics: (1) Youth in Agriculture, (2) Youth in Industry, (3) Training Young Citizens, (4) Canadian Unity, and (5) Canadian Peace Policy.

Under the topic Canadian Unity, will be discussed questions relating to minority rights, freedom of speech and assembly, democratic institutions and sectional differences.

Present plans of the J. C. C. L. call for a delegation of five or six Niseis representing various Nisei organizations in B. C. Letters have been issued to numerous societies asking for suitable nominations of possible delegates.

Powell A.O.T.S. Installs Officers

Carrying on its work of inter-society visiting, the Powell A. O. T. S. were hosts to visitors from New Westminster Sixth Avenue Church, Windsor Church and officials of the Vancouver District Council at its final dinner meeting of the year held in the Church Hall, May 9.

Following the banquet and community singing, new officers of the local society, including T. Simo-takahara, president; T. Yoshida, vice-president; T. Hara, secretary; H. Morino, treasurer, and Messrs. Y. Uchida, S. Nose, H. Yamazaki, T. Yasunaka, T. Komiyama and S. Takimoto, convenors, were installed by President Atchison of the District Council.

The guest speaker for the evening, Dr. S. S. Osterhout, recently retired superintendent of Oriental Missions of the United Church, told of how he had found thirty years of work among Japanese a most enjoyable experience.

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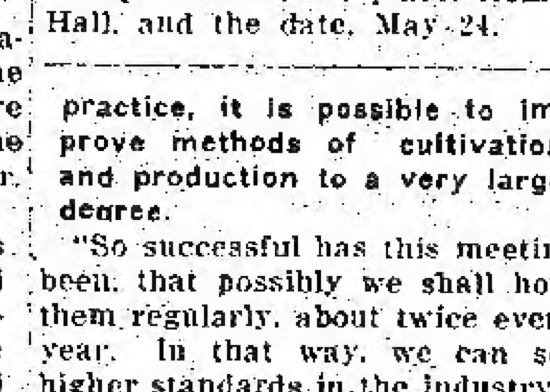

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NISEI NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE IN B. C.

Capital City Chatter

By IONI GOSSIPPE

With a committee meeting of one sort or another every other night or so (preparations for the Royal Visit and the Island Nisei Conference) most of the young people here are a wild-eyed and tired looking bunch these days.

We know one party who got only two times forty winks one night, because she wanted to finish in time to get her entry in the recent poster contest. Sorry to say she wasn't one of the prize winners, but better luck next time.

First we have a fair member of the housing committee taking a spill and now a real (at least he likes to believe it) he-man does the flying trapeze act on the cycle while going around for donations. Just ask him, he has a dandy excuse all lined up. . . .

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On the night of April 29, Miss Masa Takahashi entertained at a social at her parents' home on Gorge Road. Dancing and a game of "Monopoly" for those who didn't shag rounded out a very enjoyable evening. It was a tired but happy crowd that wended its way homewards in the wee hours.

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Capital Capers: Well, well, **Esum Kawahara** in town a few days. May we say that you took that certain young lady out, Esum? . . . Consolations to **Eikichi Ishida**, who has been in town recuperating from an accident. "Kichi," could you tell us the cause of a certain party being so happy these days? . . . "**Sumo**" (**Jimmie**) **Shimizu** reported to be officially delegating to the Convention, so a hint to all the boys to watch their steps if they expect to get any good dances on Saturday night . . . and **Sam Okamoto** going around all smiles has us wondering who can be coming to the convention. . . . **Masao Kuwabara** is doing the catching for the Senior League Athletics here. Come on girls, let's go up to the park, and maybe we can coax him to swat one over the fence for our benefit.

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Paging **Mr. Kazmi** of Chemainus—Tell **Tokio Yoshida** that arrangements have been nearly completed, so the housing committee tells us, as per his request. And we wonder if you couldn't kindly inform us how our friend Bill is getting along with his lessons in dressmaking.

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Sweet girl graduate Miss Eiko Henmi — congratulations from all of us on your recent success and good luck in all your future ventures.

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Well, the next stop is the convention. We'll be seeing you all then, we hope. Be on the look-out for a party with a corsage of pale pink carnations at the Saturday nite social.

Mission Miscellanea

By WILL I. TELLEM

Practically a one hundred per cent increase in membership resulted from the very successful meeting and social held by the local J.C.C.L. April 29.

With **Prexy Frank Hattori** as master of ceremonies, everyone spent a very enjoyable evening having games and singing. Popular **Mits Hayashi** contributed a couple of solos, and **Kats Fukami**, a Japanese song. A welcome visitor was **Bob Oikawa** from the Maple Ridge Chapter.

Thanks to the social convenors, Nobue Hashimoto and Harue Umetsu, for the swellegant refreshments.

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The J.C.C.L. May Day Bazaar Committee is in the thick of arrangements for their ice cream and hot dog stand. The Mission Chapter cordially invites everyone to come up and enjoy a typical Mission May Day celebration.

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The Showa Baseball Team barnstormed to Vancouver on May 7 but dropped both games they played. In the morning tilt at Powell Grounds they lost a closely contested extra-inning game to the more experienced Mikado Athletic Club Juniors, who were led by George Yoshinaka's mighty bat.

In the afternoon game at Windermere Park, Jack Sumi kept the Mission hits well scattered and won the game for his Kitsilano team by a long home run out of the park.

Diamond Dust — Orchids to **George Yoshinaka** for his long homer with two on base and **Jack Sumi**, ditto . . . **Tak Hayashi** and **Nobue Abe** for their smart fielding and hitting . . . And ONIONS or RHUBARB to the rest of the team.

Acme Angles

By "DOPEY"

Word has been received through J. N. Fitchett that local citizens are invited to participate at the Victoria day celebrations at Brighouse, conforming to the custom of past years.

Whether the affair will be dedicated in honor of our King and Queen is not officially known. But we are hoping that some special service will be performed to greet Their Majesties.

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Seven Nisei players are turning out to the Richmond Juvenile A practices under Coach Carl Grauer. **Pete Morimoto** is banking on the goal tender's slot, and **Sueo Hirakida**, the brothers Koyanagi, **Beef**, **Hunter**, and **Wataru** and **Kunio Ichino** of last year's of North Arm, and **Kimbo Mukai** Cloverleafs, are seeking forward berths.

KING'S ORDERLY

Sergeant Hugh W. H. Williams, of Saskatoon, has been appointed non-commissioned officer in charge of three Mounties who will act as personal orderlies to the King during the Royal visit.

Rainy City Citings

By TAD HYODO

Labour

A party was held Sunday evening, May 7, by the Japanese section, local 312, of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Millworkers Union, in honour of Mr. S. Yasuura and Mr. J. Nihei, in acknowledgement of their services at the recent Wage Conference in Vancouver.

After several speeches by representatives of local organizations, refreshments and a short social period were enjoyed. Mr. S. Okabe, chairman for the evening, delivered the closing address.

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Baseball

The familiar "strains" of horsehide smacking leather and hickory against horsehide will be sadly missing from the local ballyard this year. The Ocean Falls Athletic Association has decide to drop baseball this year.

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Softball

A softball team is being organized, but such familiar faces as **George "Grandpa" Kato**, **Jubo "Sunshine" Sekine**, and **Tiny "Two Ton" Kurita** will not appear in action this year, to make way for up and coming youngsters.

Four teams will vie for honours in the town league—Japanese, Paper Makers, Sawmill, and General Store.

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Football

Several of the Nisei devotees of the roundball game have signed up with local league teams, but there will be no regular Japanese entry. Exhibition games with the Occidentals are planned.

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Ping Pong

The Japanese team split a series with the local Rovers Club, losing the first tournament held in the Japanese Hall by a narrow three-point margin. In the return engagement held in the Olympic-like setting of the local dance hall, with five tables going full blast, and each player participating in twenty-seven gruelling matches.

Although the Japanese more than gained revenge for the previous defeat, the one-sided victory was dwarfed in significance to the spirit of cordiality and friendliness that pervaded the atmosphere.

Maple Ridge Review

By "NEWS AND VIEWS"

Sponsored by the Ujikai the annual sports day for the benefit of the pupils of the Whonnock and Ruskin Japanese Language Schools was held at the Ruskin grounds on April 30. Master of Ceremonies Mr. M. Nabeta, teacher, was ably assisted by members of the Whonnock Y.M.A.

Visitors from Mission, Haney, Hammond and Vancouver were so engrossed in the proceedings that they fell easy prey to the local camera fans.

Clamouring for an introduction to a certain girl in grey several visiting he-men hounded a local friend. No dice . . . he hadn't met her either.

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GRAND FINALE

At the grand finale of the chapter's activities members of the local J.C.C.L. turned out en masse at a special meeting to receive Youth Congress reports from their delegates **Rose Takahashi**, **Teruko Hidaka** and **Robert Oikawa** at the Pitt Meadows Community Hall, May 6.

After the stormy business session, the evening was given up to badminton, cards, dancing and tut, tut, **Mr. Yamaga** — refreshments.

Bloedel Bulletin

By CHIUZO ADACHI

With the arrival of fine weather hazardous fire conditions are now prevailing. Bloedel's logging operations are under strict fire regulations. Once more we have the familiar sight of fire patrols and locomotive smokestacks equipped with spark-catchers. Positively no smoking in logging areas!

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Plans enabling Campbell River Superior School students to greet the Royal Couple at Victoria May 30 are under way. If satisfactory agreements are obtained, Bloedel students of the above school will have a splendid opportunity to go with them.

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Mr. R. Russell kindly loaned to us a hand-operated winch which simplified clearing problems on the playground. Many small stumps were quickly removed. Soon cries of "Batter up" will be heard in "them thar hills."

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Efforts to raise Vanisle's steam boom donkey proved "no go" and this valuable piece of machinery is yet down in Davey Jones' Locker.

Celtic Clippings

By M. N. C. PATOR

In one of the "screwiest" exhibition of soft-ball ever seen, the local team thoroughly trounced J. Duncan's Marpole nine, 25-4.

Taking advantage of the wildness of five Marpole pitchers, the winners easily overcame a small deficit and then went on to amass the lop-sided score. So wild were the moundsmen that **S. Matsushita** in eight times at bat—walked eight times. Meanwhile **S. Kano's** curves and **G. Omotani's** fast ones continually baffled the opposing batters.

Shattered were all hopes of the Marpole lads in the fourth innings when **K. Kadonaga** smacked a homer with the bases loaded.

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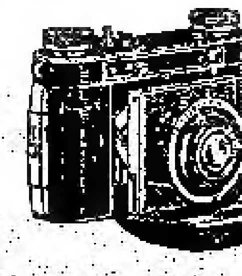
Very early the other morning a group of young men started on what seemed a daring venture—namely, the building of Celtic's first tennis court.

Even though they laboured under the scorching heat of the sun—they jokingly made fun of the hard gruesome task of dirt flinging by such casual remarks as—"concentration camp" or "prison labor on Devils Island,"—and continued to work with a degree of enthusiasm seldom seen in these parts.

But it remained for the girls to show the truly remarkable spirit of Youth. Members of the Girls' Society—including its prexy—Miss Mitsuye Oseki — put aside their knittings for the day and took up where the men left off.

Incidentally it is reported that many of the young women—and some men too—are nursing painful blisters these days.

Good Pictures on Royal Welcome Day with "CERTO"



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THIN ICE

By SO-NE HEN-NE

thin ice seems to be rapidly melting away with the ap- f summer. To tell you the truth, the competition from all es is fierce, but that's where all the swell romances are and growing. So if you want to hear all about them—my go to the country with all the picknickers.

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se popular young men, Toby and Idec, have left town summer, leaving two weeping damsels in their wake. yourselves, girls, they took enough letter paper to last everal years.

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e Students' Night Church Social . . . refreshments always arger crowd than usual. . . . Dan strutting back and forth of an unusually attractive girl in the hope of an introduc- ys he, "Sam's holding out on me." . . . all the girls anxious he new doctor from Chicago—a disappointment, girls, he's gain shortly—another eligible bachelor gone. . . .

eed, a number of boys with their maroon Union Fish shirts out from under two sweaters. . . . The answer to the "Why hide such a swell shirt?" . . . "I've got a cute little there that wants to keep warm" —Theme song of the Seven, "Three Little Fishes."

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t handsome farmer from out Westminster way, an egg st by trade, almost smashed several cases of hen fruit g to Terminal Dock to greet his dream boat, come home.

speaking of hen fruit, you should have seen the Indian ce performed by a whole family, brother, sister, father, with a tiny, squawking chicken holding the limelight. as restored only when the noble arm of the law arrived cene and handcuffed the elusive victim.

should have chased him on your skis, Bus.

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looking bleary-eyed these days. He finally confessed that of distortion is caused by so many sleepless nights making for a lady in green, nominated to the school executive.

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heard this conversation at the A. O. T. S. banquet:

Why don't you eat instead of nibbling like a lady?

I have to think of my figure. The girls find it difficult with a man who has a waistline, so I've decided to go on Oh, Eddie!

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ribution to this column from a politician. When the lads suddenly turn around and present a brand new line, . P. No, not Distate for Phooey, but Discount for Propa- Mentally deduct 95% of all murmured in your pretty ears ganda and distrust the remaining 5%.

a hint to the boys—a good line does not always warrant fish.

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n wondered why so many ball players bat left-handed. They e they get that way from driving left-handed.

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prairies' gift to all Nisei girls, "Tyrone" Tanouye dropped a week ago all decked out in a bright check suit. Sad to gh, this demi-god of the prairies is more or less tied down, better watch your step when you're writing your fan mail.

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A.Y.P.A. Holds Final Meet

Strongly declaring the support and understanding of the Anglican Young People's Association towards citizens of Japanese ancestry in Canada, Rev. N. D. B. Larmonth, of Holy Trinity Church, addressed members and friends of the Seikokai A.Y.P.A. at the society's final meeting of the year, Thursday, May 11, at the New Pier Cafe.

James Farrington, president of the East Deanery of the A.Y.P.A., in replying to the toast to the Association proposed by Miss Hisao Hirano, paid a glowing tribute to the Seikokai group and deplored the unchristian-like attitude of many Canadians against the Nisei in B. C.

Holy Matrimony

Rev. Larmonth, guest speaker for the occasion, re-affirmed Mr. Farrington's statements in his preliminary talk. Speaking on the topic, "Holy Matrimony," he stressed the need for the same Christian in marriage. All marital problems and evils he traced to the lack of this attitude, and firmly advocated a "nuptial eucharist" to climax a morning wedding ceremony.

Occupying the chair for the evening, Miss Marion Tsuda, president-elect, introduced the various guests and proposed the toast to the King. Miss Aya Suzuki spoke to the Church, and Miss M. Foster replied.

Master of ceremonies Philip Kobayashi took over for the social period following the conclusion of the meeting.

U.B.C. Alumni Meet

Honouring Miss Eiko Henmi and Mr. Shaw Mizuhara, 1939's graduates from the University, and Miss Mary Kato (Arts '34) recently returned from Japan, Dr. and Mrs. M. Miyazaki entertained members of the Japanese Alumni Association at their home, Tuesday evening, May 9.

The evening was spent in discussion of club matters with President Dr. Miyazaki outlining the history of local student organization. A graduate directory will be prepared and a bulletin issued under the editorship of Yoshimitsu Higashi, who was also elected to fill the position of secretary.

The remainder of the evening was spent in cards.

ABOUT TOWN

Before sailing for Victoria Miss Eiko Henmi entertained friends at tea in the lovely Winnifred Tea Rooms. Guests included Misses Setsu Yamaoka, Kay Kato, Yoshiko Momose, Irene Uchida, and Yaeko Henmi, here from Victoria to attend the graduation exercises of the University.

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Mrs. Pearl Maikawa will be the hostess for the monthly meeting of the Matrons Club on Thursday, May 18.

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Misses Kay and Yoshiko Hatashita left by train for San Francisco where they will spend a few weeks visiting the Fair.

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Among students returning for the summer vacation during the past two weeks for the summer vacation are Messrs. M. Sanmiya and Jo Kato, home from Edmonton, and George Tamaki, back from Halifax.

Ogopogo Introducing—

The Genial Gentlemen of Swing

BY ANTHONY T. KOBAYASHI

This is the Voice of Ogopogo broadcasting tonight from the beautiful Empress Ballroom, in Vernon, the entertainment centre of the merry Okanagan. As happy couples sway and swing to his smooth sweet syncopation, you are listening to Normie Brown and His Genial Gentlemen of Swing.

The seven piece band presents a picture of sartorical perfection in their snappy uniforms of white. The band, which was organized by players who didn't find their old aggregations "hot" and swingy enough, plays the type of music which leaves nothing to be desired for lovers of swing; latest blues arrangements, or the sweetest of sweet in the smoother melodies. It's popularity has swung upwards until it is hailed today as the leading swing band in the North Okanagan.

Now the spotlight focuses on the leader, Normie Brown himself, a Nisei farm boy, who as a youngster, would not practise his music lessons because piano playing was a sissy's game. Tonight he sits behind an elaborate set of traps, and wears a big grin as he goes through the acrobatic contortions of the tom-tom game.

This versatile Nisei drummer idolizes and imitates Gene Krupa and Ray McKinley, and when occasion arises, doubles on the tenor sax and clarinet. In co-operation with his pianist and arranger, Lloyd Anderson, Normie has composed a couple of blues numbers which have proven very popular when played at various dances.

In the style of playing, Normie like to present a similarity to the swingy colored bands from the South. He attributes a great part of the band's success in putting over this modern style to the versatility of the boys in the organization. Most of them double on various instruments, and novel orchestrations feature their presentations. In building up a good orchestra, Normie imported players from outside points to augment the local boys. Incidentally, no other Japanese plays in the band.

Normie's musical career in his High School days, when a cornetist friend (who incidentally plays in his band today), took him to a dance. His attention was drawn entirely to the drummer in the orchestra, and as he watched with great interest, the thought ran through his mind, "I wish I could do that."

Eventually, he bought the very set of drums he saw in action for $18. Drumsticks and timing were new to him, but with constant practice, in three weeks he was playing at his first dance. The thrill and nervous tension of that first nighter still remains vividly in Normie's memory.

More dances followed, and although he made no money, he kept up interest and used to watch and idolize the Famous Players—one of the best local orchestras—in 1936 he joined them after equipping himself with one of the finest and most complete drum sets in the Interior. A year later, he left to form his own band, The Rythm Rascals, later to be known as the Genial Gentlemen of Swing. Ever since, the band has prospered and plays engagements at summer resorts, hotels, restaurants and dance halls throughout the North Okanagan.

Besides leading his own swingsters, Normie plays in the Vernon City Band, and is also lead drummer in the Rover Sea Scouts Band. At present he is working hard on a new girl's trumpet band, which he hopes to take on tour to the Coast in the near future.

Normie's daytime occupation is operating farm machinery. Perhaps he obtains his novelty swing arrangements from the roaring of the tractor still ringing in his ears after a day's work. He is still young, and has his heart and soul in his musical activities; so has a good chance, one of these days, to realize his ambition—to get in the same class as Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, Gene Krupa, Artie Shaw, etc., and to take that first class swing band on tour to Japan!—

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PICNIC. Fine weather favored the Okanagan Centre Koyu Kai's picnic on Sunday, May 7, held at the Rainbow Ranch grounds. Following a basket lunch and ice cream, an afternoon of racing and novelty sports events was enjoyed by about 100 people, ending up with a softball game. A notable feature of this year's picnic was the replacement of Isseis by Niseis on the various committees.

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Odds and Ends

by DEBORAH and "I"

Well, well! Some kind persons through phone calls, letters and visits have been putting in a good word for the "Odds and Ends" column leaving Deborah and me breathless with exhilaration.

Several noteworthy pictures rolled into town recently and to celebrate, busy as we are, Deborah and I took time out to see **Dark Victory** and **Wuthering Heights.**

Victory Motif a la Wagner

The general theme of the first film bears a striking resemblance to that of a nineteenth century German play, "The Prince of Homburg," by the romanticist, Heinrich von Kleist.

In the play the Prince Friedrich von Homburg—the very personification of beautiful youth with all its ambitious dreams, unbridled impetuosity and ungovernable passions—suffers a complete mental break-down when he is informed of the announcement of the Elector of Brandenburg, his foster father, sentencing him to death for his disobedience on the field of battle although his daring military manoeuvre had saved the day.

The death knell of the chapel bell and the chilling sight of the grave prepared for his own death unbalances the prince's mind and body, the very fibre of whose being has been throbbing from the ecstasy of awakened love and the sheer joy of living.

Unmanned he begs his love, the Princess Natalie, to intercede on his behalf before the Elector.

But in a quieter mood of contemplation he overcomes his fear. Called upon to judge for himself the justice of the Elector's sentence, he regains mastery of his noble self, accepts his fate and prepares to face death at peace with the world and with himself.

Victory Over Fear

The same current of thought underlies the plot of **Dark Victory,** a theme rather unusual for Hollywood producers to incorporate into a film to present to an American movie-public notoriously addicted to stories with "happy endings."

Showing remarkable feeling for every mood and nuance of her role, Bette Davis plays the part of a rich girl, vain, headstrong and high-strung, who discovers that she is inflicted with tumour of the brain, a malignant disease sure to recur with but one result—death.

And her acting that runs the gamut of human emotions—love, fear, despair, contrition, hope and peace—shines with the lustre of the morning star.

Outstanding is her portrayal of the moment in her fast-ebbing life when she feels the quick approach of death but with bravado sends her doctor husband away to a medical conference facing the end of her life with peace in her heart, victory over the fear of death.

Literary Masterpiece Filmed

Then **Wuthering Heights,** a production weird and elusive in beauty as the novel itself.

An oneness of mood hangs like a pall over the photoplay from start to finish. The photography intense in its monotone of shades—grays and blacks dominate—the music with its plaintive note, the savage wind that broods with wailing melancholy on the heaths and the theme of a fierce love of an untamed soul all are contributing factors.

Lovers of Emily Bronte's work will not be disappointed by the screen's interpretation of the immortal classic.

As far as characterizations go, Laurence Olivier, Merle Oberon, Flora Robson and Geraldine Fitzgerald turn in top-notch performances. In particular, Laurence Olivier's psychological study of Heathcliff, unrelenting in its smouldering morbidness, sets a new high in acting.

Cezanne Centenary

Last week Deborah happened to read on the editorial page of a local newspaper (more power to her!) an article entitled "Cezanne Centenary." It appears that the centenary exhibition of the works of the famous French painter Cezanne, held at Rosenberg and Helft Galleries in London has aroused widespread interest and enthusiasm.

Whether or no Cezanne was able to realize his ambition of "doing Poussin (leading French painter of the classical period) over again after nature," that is to incorporate into a clearly organized formal unity the vision of natural appearance as enriched by impressionist studies, remains a debatable point.

But his paintings, among which "Les Grandes Baigneuses," the portrait of "Geffroy" and several versions of compositions of men playing cards are the most well known, have won for him a growing posthumous fame. The paintings themselves have increased tremendously in value.

"Cezanne's reputation has steadily grown since his death. Forty years ago, when Meissonier's pictures were selling at $40,000, dealers were lucky if they go $1250 for a Cezanne. Today, when Messoniers go for $1000, Cezanne is a best-seller among the Impressionists. As much as $40,000 is paid for one of his pictures."

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SCHOOL SHORTS

INTRODUCTION

Balmy May weather heralding the rapid approach of the annual Inter-High track meet has brought the lads and lassies out into the open air.

The Nisei turnout for sports has been pleasing. But still there are those who indulge in unwarranted passive participation. When passive participation involves persons of tolerable proficiency such as those we see practising everywhere but at school, it is not only a waste of talent, but a waste of opportunity to cement the bonds of friendship and understanding between teachers, fellow-tudents and themselves.

Active participation would greatly enhance the prestige of the Niseis.

KING ED. EXCERPTS

King Ed seems to be a school of tennis fiends—latest exponent of the game discovered is **Yoichi Kato** of 12.

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Whether at home or in the study hall, we always see **Fumi Kono** most assiduously applying herself to the mastery of the art of basses, bars, Brahms and Beethoven.

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Shirley Handa, Chizu Kurisu, Fumi Kono, and **Miyo Ishiwata** formed a foursome at the King Ed Graduation Banquet, held last week.

FAIRVIEW FANFARE

At the track meet between Fairview and Seaview, May 9 at Brockton Point, fleet-footed **Jean Tsuji** and **Marie Akiyama** vied for honours in the relay. Shining in the senior 100 yards was "Mercury" **Tommy Omura.**

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Nobody is spared when our candid camera fiend **Jure Miyazawa** and snapshot-time coincide.

TECHNICAL TATTLES

The hot school days are here again and the boys are dreaming of the adventures during their long carefree vacation time. As Turner "technically" puts it.

"I walked in a great golden dream,
To and from school—
Shining Propocatapetal
The dusty streets did rule."

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Next time you see **K. W.** of Class 2, call him "Flee." He's adopted this name from the school gym. club. Quarantine—keep away from **George Sato.** He's got that dangerous disease, the Jitterbugs.

MAGEE MEDLEY

All school activity clubs closed their books on April 28, in preparation for the long summer adjournment. Among the Nisels, the girls seem to have fancied fancy work clubs, and the boys leaned towards the athletic side.

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Jiro Miike and **Satoru Eguchi** starred in their specialties, the novelty races in the School Sports Day on May 3.

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Baseball season plus favourable weather equals baseball diamonds. Inter-class games are taking place every noon-hour between girls' teams as well as the boys. We've noticed **Jiro Miike, Shig Fukumoto, Goro Omotani, Susumu Miki,** and a lone girl who prefers to remain unknown. **Shig,** by the way, plays on the school nine.

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Four prospective graduates.

Momoko-San Formally Presented To Ocean Falls School Children

Brilliant and inspiring climax to a long series of ceremonial affairs took place here on May 4, when Momoko-san the "Good-will Doll" from Japan was formally presented to a large gathering of Ocean Falls elementary and high school students. The final act in this drama symbolizing international good-will was enacted when Japanese girls dressed in beautiful kimonos, representing the Y.W.C.A. of Tokio, donors of the doll, presented the gift to representatives of local pupils.

Mr. McLellan, supervisor of schools, addressed the assembly and voiced approval and apreciation of the efforts which made this occasion possible.

"Even though to the casual observer the doll may appear to be a simple toy," he stated, "it really represents much time and labour on the part of many school children. The intricate and varied processes involved in its creation make it an unusual piece of handiwork, and a possession to be treasured."

He related how S. Suzuki, Ocean Falls Japanese Language School principal, had taken handmade Christmas cards and other school work to pupils in Japan, and how these pupils had made the good-will doll as a token of their appreciation.

In closing, Mr. McLellan stressed "the vital importance of the continual exchange of such and similar gestures of friendship between Canada and Japan. Due to the close connections between the countries in various ways, nothing should be spared which would protect and further the friendly relations as they have existed to date," he concluded.

Welcome Party

Prior to the formal presentation a welcome party for Momoko-san was held April 23 in the Japanese School Hall, sponsored by the Kodomo-Jichikai. All local Japanese residents turned out to greet the long-awaited doll, and a very enjoyable party with speeches, singing and entertainment followed.

A week later students and teachers, both Japanese and Occidental, met together at a very informal gathering to welcome Momoko-san. Tea was served by several of the Japanese girls, clad in the traditional dress of the old country.

MR. MOTO'S BOYS CORNER

We heard that **Watt Funamoto, Eggie Igashira, Mori Uyeno** and **Pansy Maikawa** attended the Koyukai picnic. There's something mysterious about this, boys. Is it true that **Ohso** swam after the girls' drifting softball . . . that **K. Asada** remarked to somebody that they had a "wonderful time."

Congratulations **Tom Matsui** coming in second in the Province Bike Race . . .

If any of you want to see the future Asahis in action, come down to Powell Grounds any Saturday a.m. **Takeo Ozaki** and his **"Nameless"** team are looking for worthy opposition.

Norah Fujita, Hiroshi Kagetsu, Shoji Minamide, and **Arthur Nnneda** are unusually industrious these days, as they nervously count the remaining days in which "to make up or lose out." A Graduation Picnic, the first in years, will take place June 10, at Bowen Island.

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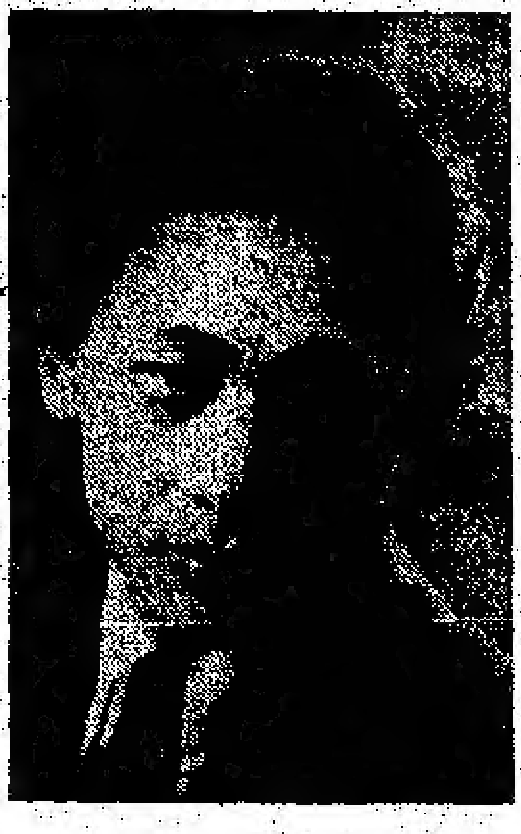

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WILSON TO SPEAK TO CITY J.C.C.L.

Speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Vancouver J.C.C.L., May 20, in the Nippon Club will be Alderman Halford D. Wilson, who will explain his stand on the Japanese problem in B. C.

Prior to Mr. Wilson's address at 9:00 p.m., several matters of business will be brought up for the consideration of chapter members at 8:00 p.m.

Y.P.S. Picnic At Newcastle, May 24

Members of the Powell Y. P. will join with the G. V. Y. P. U. on their annual picnic to Newcastle Island, May 24, when some "1999 other people will bundle up a sandwich and a sandwich and a pickle" for the occasion.

One of the best orchestras in town will be on hand to supply music on both boats, and for the dance at the Island. Dime a dance will be charged, since tickets are sold at cost."

Two boats, Princess Louise and Adelaide will load from the left side of Pier "BC", leavin at 8:30 a.m. or sooner if loaded.—Y-POP.

In honour of their son, C. George Hori, who was awarded his medical degree this spring from Rush Medical College, the University of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Hori entertained some 80 guests at dinner at the Maruman, Saturday evening, May 13.

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Monarchs Down Marpole 22-8

Following up the example set by Adanacs when they massacred the Salmonbellies, sometime ago, the Vancouver Monarchs ran wild to scalp the South Enders 22-8 at the Point Grey Box, last Sunday, in the second lacrosse game of the season.

Opening their power plays and flashing the ball around like veterans, in a wide open game the Monarchs showed their superiority over the comparatively inexperienced Marpole band.

A. Tokawa had a field day ramming in 9 goals and getting 1. He was followed closely by Nobuoka who scored 3 goals and had 6 assists. Takada with 4 and 3 for 7 points was next.

Score by Periods	1	2	3	4	T.
Monarchs	6	6	4	6	22
South Enders	3	1	0	4	8

HISAOKA TAKES "PANTS" FROM FAIR FIELD

Almost every Sunday the golfers play for some tournament prize, thereby adding interest to their weekly pastime. Last Sunday at Langara, May 14, taking an extra handicap, in the form of the scorching sun, the sportsmen vied with each other for the prize donated by Harry Miyazaki — a pair of pants.

B. Hisaoka stroking his way in brilliant fashion, took the honours by shooting an unusually low score of 80 gross, from which deducting handicap took a 68 net. He was given a run by Mr. Katsukawa.

Golfdom Chatter . . . One begins to wonder whether the Issei are better athletes than the younger folks. The Nisei golfers are too temperamental, good today, bad tomorrow . . . **George Ogino** broke into the enviable ranks of the "hole-in-oners" last Friday at Langara. He did the trick at the 115 yard fifth . . . **Henry Arikado** blames his unmentionable score last Sunday on his new "Bobbie Jones" driver . . . **Jimmie Suzuki** was really "hot" until the second 9th . . . "If I could only putt" used to be **Michi's** pet alibi but now, it's **Doc Banno's** . . .

Hurricanes Take Boxla Opener

BY "DOPEY"

East End Monarchs led by lanky Tommy Nobuoka fought desperately to take the wind out of the North Arm Hurricanes but finally ended up on the short end of a 7-4 score in the opening game of the Japanese Lacrosse season, Sunday, May 7, before a large home crowd at Acme Cannery.

Outstanding for the winners was Shig Fukushima who broke loose for four goals. Fleet-footed Hirakida nabbed two and Hunter Koyanagi chalked up one.

The "bad men" benches kept burning hot as hard checking resulted in countless penalties. Yamada with 8 minutes to his credit, was high man.

Boxla Balderdash—A rangy defenceman kicks the fella's in the pants . . . Drop your stick and kick the ball—result—two minutes in the hoosegow . . . Famous Firsts — **Shig Fukushima's** first goal, **Beef Koyanagi's** first assist, **T. Yamada's** first penalty in the first game of the first Japanese boxla league . . . A new crease rule—no ball carrier shall enter opponents crease behind the goal line—offenders draw two minutes.

Giants Stop Mikados In 12 Innings

Unions Headed For Play-off Bye

That the Japanese Baseball League teams are so closely matched to insure a tight finish in the cup race, was very much in evidence, Sunday, May 14 when two evenly contested games were fought on Powell Grounds.

In the morning, Hammond Farmers lost a heart breaking decision to the leading Union Fish and in the afternoon, under the blistering sun, the Giants punched out a 14-13 win over Mikados after 12 gruelling innings.

Before going down to defeat, the Farmers put up a gallant stand, causing the Union Fish board of strategy, plenty of headaches.

First it was Sawayama's steady pitching that had the Unions baffled and then it was Kusano's hard stinging three-base hit in the 8th inning to shatter a two-run lead, that kept Sandy Stein in the "hot box."

Finally Tanaka's error allowing Masuda to reach first with none out had Sandy so worried that he yanked Kamitomo and sent in Kutsukake. The result was certainly a relief to him when the next three batters grounded out. Kusano, however, crossed the plate on a fielder's choice to knot the count four-all.

Though he momentarily breathed easier again after Okumura had cracked out a home run scoring Yanagizawa ahead of him to put Unions in the lead again, Sandy was once more forced to chew his fingernails when in the ninth, Hammond came right back.

On a single by K. Hoshizaki, Tsujiura and P. Hoshizaki came romping home to what appeared another sew-up but fortunately for Unions a perfect throw by outfielder Yanagizawa caught the latter runner out at home. That bad break ended the Hammonds final gasp before accepting defeat.

MIKADOS BLOW LEAD

Mikados with an overwhelming 13-0 lead, seemed headed for an easy "walkaway," but the Giants with the motto, "never say die," driving them onward, kept on pursuing until they caught up in the ninth and finally nosed out Mikados 14-13 in a 12-inning marathon contest.

As if taking sudden orders to start firing, in the fourth canto, the Giants commenced at once to boom out their war clubs. When the smoke from the barrage had cleared, at the end of the ninth, Giants had smacked out 18 hits, including three doubles, a triple and a homer, and had pushed across 13 runs to deadlock the score. In the third overtime frame, a couple of hits wrote finis to one of the season's weirdest games.

For Mikados, Yoshinaka was outstanding. He not only pitched an effective game but hit 6 for 7, a feat not equalled by anyone before.

Foul Tips . . . Tempers in both games were frayed by the players and managers alike . . . All four of the managers displayed their argumentative talents . . . "Iron man" Sawayama not being satisfied with his victory for Asahis Saturday night, twirled again for the Hammond nine and did a fine job of it . . . The officials should allow Joe Fukui and Ty Soga to play in the League. The excuse "they are 'ichigun' players," is so much "eyewash" . . . Sandy's strategy putting Kutsukake in cold, to replace Kamitomo, had us gasping. As it was it was okay, but . . . It's a wonder that Roy Yamamura can play ball as well as he does though being "blind" and badly in need of "specs."

MORNING GAME

										R	H	E
Hammond	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	8	3
Union Fish	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	x	6	8	2

Batteries—Sawayama and Masuda; Kamitomo, Kutsukake and Asano.

AFTERNOON GAME

													R	H	E
Mikado	4	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	2
Giants	0	0	0	2	1	1	6	2	1	0	0	1	14	24	6

Batteries—Yoshinaka and Goromaru; Fujioka, Korenaga and Kutsukake. Umpire, both games, Yamamura.

Matsui Wins Medal In Bike Classic

Turning out for the Daily Province bike classic held at Stanley Park under perfect spring skies, four Nisei aspirants put up a jolly good showing.

Tom Matsui placed second in the D Class for boys under fourteen and was awarded a silver medal from the hands of the Mayor himself.

Minoru Yatabe just missed "show" position in the gruelling home stretch drive for boys' B Class while "Shadow" Nakatsu turned in a creditable performance in the Junior A Class. Miyo Ishiwata, the only Nisei girl in the ladies' group, finished right on the heels of the leaders.

The four contestants having got their first taste of a thrilling experience are out to do better next year and are hoping that more Niseis will enter the race.

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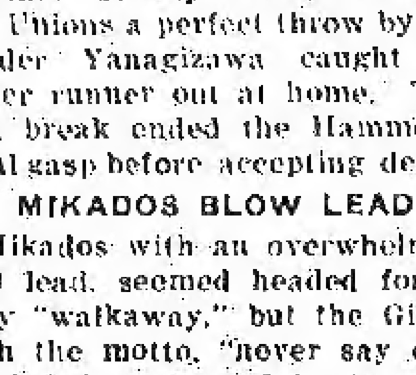

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THE SPORT CLOTHESLINE

By Washee

The first brickbat was hurled at the clothesline and dirtied some of the linen, making it necessary for rewashing or a rehashing. That missile did, though, in some way or the other, puncture the slight swelling that had bothered your columnist.

Last issue my first fan mail was printed with the usual Washee comment. Before much warning, the full wrath of the Asahi guns were trained on me and I was literally mowed down.

And now that the truth has been explained, an apology must be given. Very sorry for throwing decayed vegetable matter at the Asahis.

Earlier in the season, the illustrious promoter of the Vancouver Capilanos did mention that he would like to have Asahi join a new Senior A League, but when it came down to an official overture it was a different matter.

The Asahi nine is always eager to join better company anytime but if they aren't invited, that's that!

However, the team is at present getting quite a stiff competition from the Burrard Loop entries. The exhibition games with the Senior A teams will be looked forward to by us.

Asahi Assays . . .

Two injured fingers are causing Kaz Suga no end of trouble with his twirling duties. The handicap is the reason for the lack of the steam and sharp curves that used to feature his pitching . . . **Frankie Shiraishi** must have read the news of Pepper Martin's feat when he stole home for the winning run during the Merritt-Gordon game on May 9 . . . Every time Mitsui makes a heave to second base the spectators hold their breath, not that he's wild, you know . . . As for bench warmers, either the Japanese nine has too many or none at all. During the first two games there were easily six extra players perched on the bench, but at the last fray against Merritts they had not even one solitary fellow there.

Box Lacrosse

Last Sunday at the opening game of the Lacrosse season the whirling "Hurricanes" from Sea Island ripped through the Vancouver East End Monarchs to the tune of 7-4.

Though politeness and respect are supposed to be the prime requisites of Japanese athletes, the lacrosse boys knew nothing about them. They must have come on the field carrying chips on their shoulders. They certainly were not very sparing in their use of the crosse and the body check.

Lacrosse is definitely lacrosse no matter who plays the sport—male or female, white or colored, midget or giant. It is essentially a rough and tumble pastime.

With reference to the opening game it can be said that if the referee hadn't been so careful in detecting "rough stuff," the fighting band of lacrosse fiends might have come off the battle ground looking like the scarred veterans of the Sino-Japanese war.

As a suggestion before the season gets fully started and before someone gets seriously injured, there should be a fund established whereby compensations for accidents can be made. Perhaps, the idea of the devotees taking out an accident policy wouldn't be such a bad one. To be on the safe side how about life insurance?

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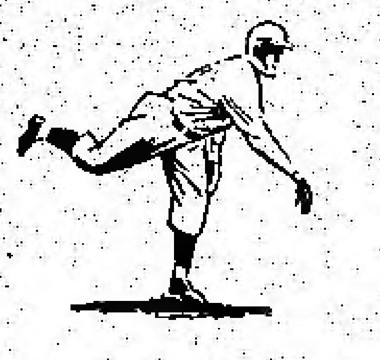
Hompa Still Undefeated

While Roy Kumano was limiting the opposition to six hits, the Hompa nine shelled Joe Nishimura's offerings for nine timely bingles to down the Fairview team 12 to 5 at the Model School grounds, Sunday, May 14.

Notes from the dug-out . . . Nab Nosue's blow that cleared the left-field fence was a honey. Some feat that Misumi's one-hand stab of a foul right up against the wire screen.

LEAGUE STANDING



Hompa	4	4	0
Kitsilano	3	1	2
Fairview	3	0	3

Sandlot Baseball

A couple of Sundays ago owing to the sad oversight on the part of the baseball officials, both games were played out of town leaving the Vancouver fans to twiddle their thumbs to kill time, including, of course, your columnist. In an act of desperation of wanting to do something, I attended the Hompa-Kitsilano baseball encounter at Powell Grounds. The feeling was, "Oh, well, at least the Kitsilano feminine supporters would be something to gaze at." But much to everyone's surprise and delight the game was very interesting — more interesting than some of the Sunday League frays.

Outstanding was the exceptional showing of Terada, the Kitsie third baseman who really can throw the ball parallel to the earth and who can also smack the ball quite consistently. He is too good to remain in that division. Take the hint, someone.

An afterthought: The Hompas are the luckiest nine ever seen. Although outhit, they manage, like the Vancouver Caps to come through when the hits are needed to win out.

Nippon Tennis Club

Sunday last, I spent the day at the Nippon Tennis Club and had a most enjoyable time. For relaxation and "escape" you couldn't ask for a better place. (Matsui should be beaming for this free publicity.)

Throughout the entire day the bidding was on a very high level, though the occasional ace was seen to be trumped by the winning partners. Despite the distraction caused by the tennis balls which kept bouncing onto the card table with monotonous regularity, the enthusiasts played skilfully enough.

<u>Oh</u>, yes, come to think of it, there were some people swing oddly shaped things called rackets or is it racquets? All day long they kept up a steady jog around the courts picking up balls after balls.

Yet, they seemed to enjoy their queer antics. They say that it's good exercise and though I'm not one to refute that, I still prefer the much more difficult sport called "Goo".

Come up sometime and we'll take you on. Pass . . .

Keep up your courage, Niseis

Rookie Wins For Asahis

Holds Patricias with Two-hit Feat

Ball fans were almost treated to another Vandermeerian no-hit, no-run trick performed by rookie Tommy Sawayama last Saturday at Powell Grounds when the Asahis took revenge for their defeat a week ago by crushing the Patricia Hotel squad 6-2 in a well-played encounter.

Two scratchy hits that barely managed to seep through the infield and two runs scored in the fourth because of errors by the usually reliable Maruno robbed Tommy of his feat.

Inside Baseball

Living up to their reputation for having the greatest knowledge of "inside baseball" Asahis thrilled the crowd when Yamamura came scampering home on a neat bunt by Shiraishi in the fourth.

Despite his errors, Maruno sparkled at third, knocking down a hard hit line drive between second and third, and throwing the runner out at first.

Following the precedent set up in the first game, the Nipponese nine scored two runs in the first inning on hits by Masuda, Suga and Maruno. Adding one run each in the third and fourth, the scoring ended in the sixth, with two more runs crossing the plate as a result of a single by Uno and the left fielder's juggle.

Neither team was able to hit long range, though Mitsui, who found the offering of rangy Gates much to his liking, banged out a couple of big ones, one of them going for a double.

BOX SCORE

Asahis	AB	R	H	A	PO	E
Yamamura, 2nd b.	2	1	0	1	4	0
Masuda, c.f.	4	2	1	0	3	[illegible]
Shiraishi, l.f.	4	0	0	0	1	[illegible]
Suga, r.f.	4	2	2	0	0	[illegible]
Uno, 1st b.	3	1	2	0	5	0
Maruno, 3rd b.	4	0	1	3	0	2
Shishido, s.s.	3	0	1	1	1	[illegible]
Mitsui, c.	4	0	2	1	7	0
Sawayama, p.	3	0	0	0	9	0
Total	31	6	9	6	2[illegible]	2

Patricia Hotel	AB	R	H	A	PO	E
Davis, c.	2	0	1	0	6	0
Reid, s.s.	3	0	0	5	1	0
Greaves, l.f.	3	0	0	0	0	[illegible]
McLachlan, c.f.	3	1	0	0	1	1
Hale, r.f.	3	1	0	0	0	[illegible]
Mobyard, 3rd b.	3	0	0	2	0	2
Mills, 2nd b.	3	0	1	3	1	[illegible]
McKay, 1st b.	3	0	0	0	12	[illegible]
Gates, p.	1	0	0	3	0	[illegible]
Smith (for Gates in 7th)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	24	2	2	13	21	4

Batteries: Sawayama and Mitsui; Gates and Davis.

Asahi ..... 2 0 1 1 0 2 [illegible]
Patricia Hotel ..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 [illegible]

Summary: Two basehits, Mitsui. Struck out by Sawayama, 7; by Gates, 4. B.B. off Sawayama, 3; off Gates, [illegible]. Double play, Reid, Mills, McKay. Stolen bases, Yamamura, Suga, 2; Uno, Davis, 2. Sacrifice hits, Shiraishi, 2.

Skiers Visit Baker

They were twelve tired Fuji skiers that rolled into town late Sunday night after spending an enjoyable day at Mount Baker. "Snow conditions are bad, but still, we had a good time," wearily muttered Bus Ohori.

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